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In the News



DOE Awards More Than \$76 Million for Advanced Energy-Efficient Building Technologies and Commercial Building Training Programs. Six Wisconsin Businesses Awarded.

USDOE announced awards totaling more than \$76 million in funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to support advanced energy-efficient building technology projects and the development of training programs for commercial building equipment technicians, building operators, and energy auditors. Six Wisconsin companies and educational institutions will receive funding. [Story](#)

Rebuilding Greensburg, Kansas

The USDOE released a new video that showcases the story of Greensburg, Kansas, a town devastated by a tornado in 2007, which came back to be one of the nation's most energy-efficient, sustainable communities. Many of the town's government buildings use cutting-edge energy-saving technologies, such as high-efficiency windows, lighting, and heating and ventilation systems, saving local taxpayer money. Greensburg has shown that any city can reach its energy efficiency and renewable energy goals today using widely available technologies. [Video](#)

Funding Announcements

Innovation for Increasing CyberSecurity for Energy Delivery Systems

The USDOE recently announced the Innovation for Increasing CyberSecurity for Energy Delivery Systems grant. The objective is to perform research, development, and demonstrations of technologies that will enhance the cyber security of communication and control systems of the U.S. energy infrastructure. Due date for grant applications is July 12, 2010. [Full story](#)



Helping Farmers Lower Energy Costs

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has announced a program to encourage and facilitate energy audits at American farms. NRCS offers financial assistance to help cover costs for a detailed energy audit. NRCS will assess the energy consumption from the farm's cooling/heating system, milking/feeding equipment, lighting, pumps and machines located in the production buildings of any agricultural operation. The information will

be analyzed and measured to reduce consumption and ways to more effectively utilize energy resources will be recommended. Due date of July 9, 2010. [More information](#)

For more funding opportunities, visit the [Redmond Report](#).

Request for Information (RFI)



USDOE Announces RFI for Offshore Wind Demonstration Projects

The USDOE released a Request for Information (RFI) seeking input from the public on the research, development, and deployment of offshore wind demonstration projects. USDOE's Wind Program is planning a research and development program to stimulate responsible, cost-effective offshore wind energy deployment in coastal and the Great Lakes region of the country. [Full story](#)

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